

**County Engineer** 

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RE:

IL Commerce Commission Order T04-0056

Order Date October 20, 2004 DOT No. 004603L, Milepost 145.01

Intersection of BNSF Tracks and Peoria County Highway R40

**Bridge Construction Progress Report** 

Dear Sir:

On Monday, February 28, 2005, P.A. Atherton and Lunda, subcontractors for BNSF, began filling the existing brick viaduct at the above listed crossing. This work was completed on March 7<sup>th</sup>. BNSF and Lunda began preparation work, and began driving piling on March 15<sup>th</sup>. This work was completed on April 13<sup>th</sup>, and they then began preparing the structures for placement. The south structure was placed on May 1<sup>st</sup>, and the north structure was placed on May 15<sup>th</sup>. Lunda and BNSF completed their work on May 23, 2005.

Otto Baum Company was awarded the contract for the roadway. After a delay due to Railroad Liability Insurance, work began on Tuesday, June 14, 2005. As of today, approximately 9,000 Cu.Yd. of earth excavation has occurred and one half of the existing viaduct has been removed. Otto Baum is also erecting the steel bracing as the excavation continues.

The Illinois Commerce Commission has ordered the project to be completed by April 20, 2006. The work is on pace to be completed to October 2005, which is six months ahead of the ordered date.

If you need further information, please contact the Peoria County resident engineer for this project.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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